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OUTLINES.

Three of the Chinese officials named for punishment decline to commit suicide; no immediate settlement is possible. —— The indications are that the Jeffries Ruhlin fight will not take place next Friday. —— The total appropriations made by Congress at the present session will reach eight hundred million dollars. —— Steamer with 1,100 horses cleared from New Orleans for Cape Town. —— The electoral vote for the late Presidential election was counted yesterday at a joint session of the Senate and House. —— The wife of Senator Platt died yesterday. —— Many lives lost by the overflow of rivers in Bolivia. —— The bill for a new charter for the city of Wilmington was received by Representative Willard and may be introduced in the House to day. —— A disturbance in Madrid last evening was quelled by the police and the civil guard with swords; many persons were injured; at Santander gendarmes charged a mob to save a Carmelite monastery. —— The Spanish steamer Olayo, cotton laden, from New Orleans, is ashore near Beaufort, S. C. —— New York markets: Money on call was steady at 2@2¼ per cent.; cotton dull, middling uplands 9 9 16c; wheat—spot firm, No 2 red 82c f. o. b. afloat; corn—spot firm, No. 2 48½c. at elevator; flour firmer and a trifle more active; rosin steady; spirits turpentine quiet.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 13.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 30 degrees; 8 P. M., 30 degrees; maximum, 44 degrees; minimum, 29 degrees; mean, 36 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 1 68 inches.

Stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M., 10 0 feet

FORECAST FOR TO DAY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 —For North Carolina—Partly cloudy Thursday and Friday; brisk northwesterly winds, diminishing.

Port Almanac February 14.

Sun Rises	6 51 A. M
Sun Sets	5.39 P. M
Day's Length	10 48 M
High Water at Southport.	3 30 P M.
High Water Wilmington.	6 00 P. M.

Prison Warden Muller, of Wittlich, Germany, has a first-class case of grip. He is 102 years old and still holds his job.

And here is the bold Briton driven to the necessity of asking Portugal to furnish troops to keep the Boers back from the Portuguese line.

Mrs. Nation has stirred up the Kansas men, who in a mass meeting at Topeka, have informed the saloonists that they must retire from business, or take the chances of some more hatchets.

Steve Broddy, recently deceased in New York, achieved his fame as a bridge plunger, and then achieved a fortune of $100,000 by selling spirits. He started life as a boot black and news boy.

It is claimed that with the electric signal stations being established at Roanoke Island, Cape Hatteras and at other points on the Atlantic ships can been signalled five hundred miles out at sea.

Pierpont Morgan says the big steel combine which he engineered is not designed to suppress competition. Of course not; it is only to absorb the competitor, or choke him into "innocuous desuetude."

Gen. MacArthur has discovered that many of the Filipino merchants are "rebels," and many of them have doubtless been playing the role of "Amigo" and pulling the wool over the eyes of American officials.

Sir Charles Dilke rises to express the opinion that it isn't Germany which is to be the commercial rival of England, but it is the United States to which England, Germany and France must soon lower their flag.

Sir Thomas Lipton wants to have the international boat races put off a year on account of the death of Queen Victoria. But as they don't come off for several months Sir Thomas might get over his grief by that time.

A Chicago professor has been telling his boys that the rattlesnake bite is not nearly as dangerous as represented, that death from it is very rare. If he bit himself with one of our upland N. C. rattlers he might revise his opinion.

According to the Savannah *News* the Angora goat business started in Georgia in 1853, when Col. Peters bought the flock of Dr. Davis, who had been presented with some genuine animals by the Sultan of Turkey. Two years ago there were 750 of these goats in Georgia while there were 750,000 in Texas.

LOCAL DOTS.

— To-day is St. Valentine's.

— Schooner *B. I. Hazard* cleared yesterday with lumber for New York.

— Eliza Finch, a well known colored restaurant keeper on the wharf, died Monday.

— Five tramps were arrested by the police in different sections of the city last night.

— It is expected that some definite action will be taken toward the purchase of an organ at a meeting of the Young People's Organ Fund Society of Grace M. E. Church, to be held to night.

— B. C. Stokes, colored, is contemplating the establishment of a bureau of employment at the corner of Ninth and Castle streets. For a small fee he will undertake to furnish house holders with domestic servants, etc.

— Programmes for the twentieth annual meeting of the North Carolina Y. M. C. A., at Wilmington, March 21st-24th, have been sent out by State Secretary A. G. Knebel. It is one of the most interesting announced in years.

— Sheriff Daniel R. Walker, of Brunswick county, who is known by many Wilmington people, was married at Town Creek last Sunday. The bride is Miss Bettie Ottoway, daughter of Mr. Nicholas Ottoway, of Town Creek.

— Many improvements are being made at the office of the Southern Express Company by carpenters and painters. The private office of the genial agent, Capt. J. R. Williams, has been moved to the east side of the building and a set of large platform scales is being installed where his office formerly was.

— A delegation of prominent members of the East Carolina Truck and Fruit Growers' Association, including President Hill, of Warsaw; Mr. J. A. Westbrook, of Mount Olive, and Dr. E. Porter, of Rocky Point, was here yesterday, conferring with the Southern Express Company people regarding the rate on strawberries for the coming season.

— According to the recent bill passed by Congress, the "canteen" at Fort Caswell was closed on Tuesday. Nothing stronger than wine and beer was sold at the "canteen," and members of the post are generally displeased with the order, as they say drunkenness will be increased by many of the soldiers, who will visit Wilmington and "make up for lost time."

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

D. L. Gore Co.—White seed oats.
S. H. MacRae—Bankrupt notice.
Opera House—The Councillor's Wife

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Meeting—First Ward Democrats.
C. H Robinson & Co.—Opportunity.
Wil. Gas Light Co.—A gas range.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. Allie Hubbard returned to his home at Kerr yesterday.

— Miss. Mattie Peden, of Rocky Point, is visiting friends in the city.

— Mr. W. R. Barksdale has returned from a business trip to Baltimore.

— Mr. R. S. French, general agent of the Kanawha Dispatch, is in the city.

— Mr. Claude H. Dollar left last night for Dunn to spend several days with relatives.

— Mrs. W. H. Pemberton and daughters, Misses Elizabeth and Hattie, arrived yesterday afternoon from Fayetteville to visit Mrs. Pemberton's parents.

— Mr. S. A. Starling, of Hubert, Onslow county; Mr. A. M. Williams, of Phoenix, and Mr R C. Applewhite, of Cronly, were in the city yesterday on business trips.

R. G. Grady, Esq., left yesterday afternoon on a professional trip to Scranton, Miss. While away he expects to attend the Mardi Gras celebration at New Orleans, returning on Wednesday of next week.

— Among the arrivals at The Orton yesterday were: Messrs. Hugh L. Miller and H. E Wells, of Columbia, S. C; P P Zimmerman, J. W. Parr and W. J. Thomas, of Charlotte; D. T. Oates, of Fayetteville, and Mrs. T. R. Kerr, children and nurse of Jacksonville, N. C.

Mr. Fleet Elected Head Sentry.

Mr. J. W. Fleet, of Live Oak Camp No. 6, W. O. W., this city, has been chosen Head Sentry by the Head Camp, Jurisdiction L, Woodmen of the World, now in session at Norfolk, Va. The jurisdiction comprises Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina and the District of Columbia. Mr. E. B. Lewis, of Kinston, was elected a delegate to the Sovereign Grand Camp.

Candidate for Chief of Police.

The STAR learns that in all probability there will be three candidates in the field for Chief of Police before the forthcoming Democratic primary. The latest addition to the list is Capt. O. A. Wiggins, the other two being Capt. John J. Furlong and ex-Chief R. B. Clowe.

Justice Harlan May Come.

Justice Harlan has been invited by Senator Pritchard and Mr. Clement Manly in the name of the North Carolina Bar Association, to attend the annual meeting at Wrightsville Beach, June 26th. It is said in Washington that the judge will come if the meeting is advanced in date.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Important Measures Passed in the Senate and House of Representatives.

BOARD OF AGRICULTURE BILL

Wilmington's City Charter Received by Representative Willard—Bill Introduced to Provide for Local Compulsory Education.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., February 13.—The House to day passed the Senate bill requiring that only practical farmers be appointed on the Board of Agriculture, and the bill is now ready for ratification.

A bill also passed to repeal section 1, Chapter 16, of the Code, and amend the act of the adjourned session of 1900 relating thereto. Mr. Rountree, explaining the bill, said the act was merely one of amnesty; provides that no indictments shall be begun under the election law in the Code and the act of 1900, unless begun thirty days after the offence, and shall be prosecuted to conviction. Ebbs (Rep.) made a long Republican campaign speech, which provoked no reply. The bill then passed final reading.

Other bills passed final reading: To require street car companies to provide vestibules and fenders if the Corporation Commission so orders; to allow the Norfolk and Western Railway Co. to construct branch lines in the State; to incorporate the Elizabeth City Water Co.; to provide that insane persons may use property after they are restored to sanity; to require that execution of criminals shall be private.

Innumerable other local bills passed; the calendar is the heaviest of the session.

Gattis was elected Speaker pro tem.

Whitaker, of Guilford, introduced a bill for local compulsory education. The bill provides that on petition of one third of the qualified voters of a township, county or city, the county commissioners shall call an election for compulsory education in said district. If the bill is carried, all children between the ages of 12 and 15 shall attend a public school, unless educated by other means, until they can read and write any section of the constitution in English.

Willard introduced a bill to regulate insurance on public buildings.

Morton, in the Senate, presented a petition from citizens of New Hanover, that shooting live pigeons from a trap be allowed.

There was a long debate to-day in the Senate on the bill to regulate the hearing of injunction cases for trespass on timber lands, and the substitute recommended by the committee. Friends of the bill explained that under the present law a lumberman may go on any man's land and cut timber, despite an injunction, and simply pay the market price at the time of the cutting. After the adoption of a slight amendment by Brown, the bill passed final reading.

Other bills passed final readings: To authorize Concord to issue bonds; to authorize Beaufort to levy a special tax; to establish graded schools and an electric light plant in Rockingham.

Bills were introduced: By Broughton, to incorporate the Charlotte and Monroe Railroad Company. By Speight, to establish a dispensary in No. 1 township, Edgecombe. By London to provide for State depositories and regulate the depositing of State funds. By Gudger, to provide for registration of architects.

Congressional Districts.

The joint committee on Congressional Districts had a long session this afternoon and to-night to consider various bills redistricting the State. No agreement was reached. The subject was discussed by many members of the Assembly and citizens. Senator James introduced a resolution to make no change in the present districts and elect one congressman-at-large. The resolution was favorably considered by a great majority of the committee. Mr. H. L. Cook, of Fayetteville, was among the speakers opposing the redistricting. The argument is that Democrats are not in position to change the districts until the next election, as a miscalculation on the result of the constitutional amendment might give several districts to the Republicans. The consensus of opinion is strongly opposed to redistricting.

The House resolution for the impeachment of Judges Furches and Douglas comes up as the special order at 11 o'clock to morrow. It will be a close, sharp fight; impossible by the most competent judges to form an opinion of the result; if there is a majority for impeachment at all, it will be very small.

The Committee on Propositions and Grievances decided to night to report favorably on the bill for a dispensary at Tarboro.

Wilmington's New Charter.

The bill for Wilmington's new charter was received here by Willard to-day. He would introduce it to-morrow but will be out of the city. Rountree may introduce it for him. Talk with several members of the Assembly indicates that the charter will be held up in committee for a thorough hearing of conflicting interests of citizens.

No new cases of smallpox. The patient at the Baptist Female University is up and doing well.

— Capt. R. W. McKeithan, of Supply, N. C., and Mr. A. W. McAllister, of Rocky Point, were visitors to the city yesterday.

THE FIFTH ANNIVERSARY.

Boys' Brigade Splendidly Entertained at Hospitable Home of Its Commander, Col. Walker Taylor.

Last night upon the occasion of the Fifth anniversary of the formation of the First Battalion, Boys Brigade of America, the members of the company were most superbly entertained at an elegant banquet given them by their genial commander, Col. Walker Taylor, at his hospitable home, No. 714 Market street.

Members of the organization, thirty-five in number, were graciously received in the banquet hall by Mrs. Walker Taylor assisted by Miss May Beverly French and Mrs. W. F. Robertson and each one after the reception last night pronounced, with singular unanimity, the fifth to have been the most elaborate and enjoyable of all anniversary celebrations in the past.

Handsome programme and menu cards delicately printed in orange and blue, the colors of the company, were distributed to guests and the banquet hall presented a very beautiful scene throughout the evening. Col. Taylor made an efficient and pleasing toast master and after prayer by Mr. W. M. Cumming, toasts were responded to as follows: "Our Brigade," Lieutenant Jos. J. Loughlin; "Civil Branch," President Albert L. Dosher; "Social Features," Lieutenant James A. Price; "Reserve Corps," Edwin P. Dudley.

It was regretted that owing to a press of professional business, Col. Jno. F. Bruton, of Wilson, could not be present to deliver the annual address as was expected but in its stead there were excellent talks by Capt. T. D. Meares, who spoke on "Character;" Mr. J. Allen, Taylor, who spoke on "Knowing What to Do." dividing his subject into three divisions; Energy, Perseverance and System, Capt. W. R. Kenan, who made a speech complimenting the Brigade and its popular organizer and Commander, Col. Walker Taylor; Mr. W. F. Robertson, who responded in a very happy vein speaking of the general life of the company, and Mr. W. M. Cumming, who treated in a comprehensive and pleasing manner the religious aspect of Brigade life.

Col. Walker Taylor also made a short but more than pleasing address to "his boys" who responded in warmest applause. When the speaking was over Mr. C. C. Loughlin, one of the leading members of the Brigade, read a very complete and well written history of the company since its organization in 1896 with only five members. The STAR regrets that it cannot give space to at least a synopsis of his really excellent paper.

The banquet was in progress from 8 to 11 o'clock and never was a celebration more enjoyed by its participants than upon this occasion.

GERMAN LAST NIGHT.

L'Arioso German Club Gave Pretty Dance in the Masonic Temple.

One of the most enjoyable dances of the season was the german in the Masonic Temple last night given by L'Arioso German Club. The figures were led by Mr. Clayton Giles, Jr. Hollowbush orchestra rendered the music. The participants in the dance were the following:

Miss Maude Webber, Mr. Wm. J. Bellamy; Miss Jeanie Peck, Mr. Jack Bellamy; Capt and Mrs. E. W. Van C Lucas; Miss Anna Peck, Mr. Thos. Davis; Mrs E. P. Boatwright, Mr. H. L. Miller; Lieut and Mrs. J. E Reinburg; Miss Mary J Bellamy, Lieut. B. M. Chiswell; Miss Burton, of Durham, Mr H B. Peschau; Miss Atkinson, Mr. C McD Davis; Miss Fannie Green, Lieut. Oscar Hanes; Miss Annie Kidder, Mr Thos Willard; Miss Pitts, Mr. S. M. Boatwright; Miss Katie Harlowe, Mr R. G. Rankin; Miss Lewis, Capt A P. Adrian; Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Carmichael; Miss Nessie Cotchett, Mr. H. H. McIlhenny; Miss Sue McQueen, Mr. F H. Smith; Miss Emma West, Mr. J. T Munds; Mr and Mrs W. S. Johnson; Miss Randolph, Mr. A. S. Williams; Miss Kate Harriss, Mr. M G. Hunter, of Atlanta; Miss Octavia Boatwright, Mr R H Gwaltney; Miss Lucas, Mr. Jas M. Stevenson; Miss Olive Armstrong, Mr. George Chadbourn; Miss Abbie Chadbourn, Dr. C. P Bolles; Miss Sarah Kenan, Mr F. W. Dick; Miss Mary Calder, Mr. H. M. Chase; Miss Lucy Latham, Mr. L. J. Cutlar; Miss Della Clark, Mr. W. C. Orow; Miss Pitts, Mr. W. V. Sullivan, Jr.; Miss Elizabeth Payne, Mr. Geo. Crow.

Failure at Gibson Station.

Daniel G. Wright, of Gibson, Richmond county, N. C, has filed in the office of the Deputy Clerk of the United States Court in this city, through his attorney, Maxcy L. John, Esq, of Laurinburg, N. C., a petition in voluntary bankruptcy. The liabilities are $3,368 41 and the assets $954 27. The following creditors in Wilmington are scheduled in amounts as follows: S & B. Solomon $102 48; Boney & Harper, $11 42; J. W. Murchison & Co., $120 37; Geo. R. French & Sons, $56 78; Morris Bear & Bro., $98 04; W. B Cooper, $30 47; R. W. Hicks, $21.15; J. C. Stevenson Company, $165 05; J. A. Taylor, $69.28; Hall & Pearsall, $27 20

First Ward Meeting.

By order of President J. N. Bennett and Vice President Wm. Sheehan, the First Ward Democratic Club will meet to-night in Hibernian Hall at 8 o'clock for the purpose of recommending candidates for aldermen from that ward to be voted for at the Democratic primaries, next month. A full attendance is desired. Some of the names mentioned as likely to be suggested at the meeting are the present incumbents, Messrs. Spencer and Woolard, and Messrs. J. F. Maunder, George R. Branch and F. P. Lamb.

FORTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY.

Howard Relief Company Celebrated the Occasion With Splendid Ball and Banquet Last Night.

The forty-fifth anniversary ball of the Howard Relief Company was given last night in Germania Hall, and it was the most enjoyable social event given by that hospitable organization in many years, and reflected much credit upon the several committees which arranged the delightful affair.

Seventy couples participated in the festivities of the occasion, and it will always be remembered as one of the most pleasant celebrations in the history of the company. The order of dancing was as follows:

1. Grand March.	7. Two Step.
2. Waltz.	8. Waltz
3. Quadrille.	9. Quadrille.
4. Two-Step.	10. Schottische.
5. Waltz.	11. Waltz.
6. Quadrille.	12. Quadrille.

An elegant supper was served at 12 o'clock, after which, Mr. Martin Rathjen, the highly esteemed president of the Howard Relief Company, made an eloquent address as follows:

"Ladies and Gentlemen—I extend to you on behalf of the Howard Relief Company a hearty and most cordial welcome. We never feel so happy as when we see ourselves surrounded by our friends in the battle of life which we are all compelled to fight. It makes us all feel that there is much worth living for in life and without our friends it would be but a dismal blank. We meet here together to celebrate the forty fifth anniversary of this noble old organization. May we all live to celebrate as many more as we have already celebrated. The Howard Relief Company has stood here since the year 1856 and during that time, as a volunteer fire department, it has done noble and faithful service whenever called upon. As for those who have preceded us and crossed the dark river and are now sleeping in Oakdale, that beautiful "City of the Dead," let us cherish their love and memory, for they have been faithful and have done their duty. I hope all will have an enjoyable time on this occasion. Once more I bid you a most cordial and hearty welcome."

Appropriate souvenirs were given to the ladies and gentlemen. The elegant supper was laid by Mrs. P. N. Fick.

The committee of arrangements was composed of Messrs. M. Rathjen, (chairman), J. G. L. Gieschen, H. T. Duls, J. W. Duls, M. Schnibben and H. L. Vollers.

Floor Committee — Messrs. Henry Duls and Martin Schnibben.

EARL OF YARMOUTH TO-NIGHT.

Will Be Seen at the Wilmington Opera House in Jerome's Comedy.

In the New York *Herald* of Sunday, January 20, a page is devoted to the five matinee idols on the American stage. According to the *Herald*, this honor belongs to William Faversham, John Drew, E. H. Sothern, Eric Hope and J. E. Hackett. Reference to this publication is made pertinent by the appearance in this city to night at the Opera House of Eric Hope (Earl of Yarmouth) in Jerome K. Jerome's comedy, "The Councillor's Wife." The appearance of Hope in this country, it is said, came about in an odd way. Coming from a noble English family, in England he was noted as being one of the best amateur actors of the day. On a visit to this country, the early part of last year, he was induced to portray one of the leading roles in the annual performance given by the Strollers, New York's most exclusive amateur social organization. His success was instantaneous and he became the immediate rage of the metropolis. So great and favorable were the press criticisms that Mr. Charles Frohman induced the Earl to become a member of his leading comedy stock comedy.

"The "Councillor's Wife" is from the pen of Jerome K. Jerome, perhaps the best known of all English writers. That the engagement in this city will be interesting is evidenced by the demand for seats. Advance sale of seats on sale at Gerken's.

MRS. E. E. VAN ORSDELL.

The Funeral Conducted Yesterday from Residence of Her Son-in-law.

The funeral of Mrs. E E Van Orsdell, widow of the late C. M. Van Orsdell, who died after an illness of several days at the home of her son in law, Mr. R. B. Lewis, No. 112 Ann street, Tuesday morning at 9:30 o'clock, was held yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock from her late residence, Rev. F H. T. Horsfield, rector of St. James Episcopal church, officiating. The interment was at Oakdale cemetery, the following gentlemen having acted as pall bearers: Honorary, Col. Jno. L. Cantwell; active, Capt. T. C. Lewis, Messrs. T. H. Johnson, J. C. Munds, W. A. Williams, Samuel Northrop and R. W. Price.

Mrs. VanOrsdell was 70 years of age and leaves four children; Mr. C. M. VanOrsdell, of Orangeburg, S. C.; Mrs. A. J. Perry, of Southwood, N. C.; Mrs. Sewell Trezevant, of Fort Motte, S. C.; and Mrs. R. B. Lewis, of this city. She is also survived by three sisters, Mrs. H. E Shaw, of Greensboro; Mrs. Fannie Hewett, and Mrs. Jennie Easter, of Cumberland, Maryland.

Concert To-morrow Night.

Mr. Henry C Latrel, of Boston, says of Mr. Arthur C. Goodwin, who with the violinist, Miss. Wagner, will have principal parts in the concert at the Y. M. C. A., Friday evening. "I succeeded in finding the position for him in Raleigh, where he has met with good success. I feel justified therefore in commending him." Get reserved seats to-day.

DARING ROBBERIES

Sustain Belief That Wilmington Has an Organized Band of Burglars.

JEWELRY STORE ENTERED.

Goods Amounting to About $35 Stolen from Mr. George Honnett After Unsuccessful Attempts to Get in Grocery Establishment.

It appears to be very evident that there is in the city an organized band of burglars, who are pursuing their vocation systematically and with some measure of success, as is attested by two very daring robberies which have occurred this week, following close upon a succession of smaller ones at private residences, reported within the past ten days.

Yesterday the STAR told of the entrance into the store of the Mercer & Evans' Company, and of the unsuccessful attempt to break open a small safe in the office, and the robbery of the cash drawer and shoe stock which followed. Yesterday morning another robbery, evidently by the same band, was committed at the store of Mr. George Honnett, the jeweller, on Front street. Entrance was gained in this instance pretty much the same way as on the night before at the store of Mercer & Evans, except that the burglars climbed upon a shed at the rear of the store, and first broke into a window of the laboratory of Messrs. Baldwin & Johnson, on the second floor of the building, and then bored a hole about a foot and a half square, by which the depredators let themselves down into the office of Mr. Honnet, on the first floor, by an improvised ladder made of cord, towels, etc., secured in the dental office. Twenty Waterbury watches, one or two others that had just been repaired for customers and a small amount of inexpensive jewelry, the lot costing about $30, were stolen. Most of the valuable jewelry was locked in the safe, and no perceptible attempt was made to get at this.

The gentlemen composing the firm of Ham & Co., money brokers, who have an office upstairs across the hall from Baldwin & Johnson's office and sleeping apartments in the rear of their own office, heard the noise in the dental laboratory but naturally supposed that it was either Dr. Johnson or Dr. Baldwin, who often, in busy season, work late at night there on crown and other work of that character. About 4 o'clock yesterday morning, however, one of the gentlemen heard the door to the dental office slam, and thinking it was one of their customers, who desired to get in their office before going to work, went to his bed room door in time to see two white men going down the steps, one of whom wore a light derby hat and clothes of a light color. He spoke to them but got no satisfaction as to the object of their visit. The robbery was first discovered by the colored porter, who sweeps out the office of Messrs. Baldwin & Johnson each morning. The police and city Detective Robert Green are at work on the case.

It was discovered by Mr. J. C. Springer, who happened to be making a casual examinaton of the back of the store from his office window nearby yesterday afternoon that the same burglar made an unsuccessful attempt to get in the store of the Holmes Grocery Company, adjoining the building which was entered, by picking out the brick in a thick wall in the same way as the brick were detached from the window shutters of Mercer & Evans the night previous. One layer of brick and mortar about two feet in size was taken out but it seems that this was given up as a bad job and entrance into Mr. Honnett's store effected. Mr. Gabriel Holmes and Chief of Police Parmele also discovered yesterday afternoon that a transom on the roof of the store of the Holmes Grocery Company had been broken open but entrance in this manner was impeded by iron bars just under the glass.

The robbery took place while the *bal poudre* was in progress at the Masonic Temple just across the street and while carriages were in front of the building until an early hour yesterday morning. The store was also lighted brilliantly in the front and to emphasize the daring of the intruders, an oil lamp which was found burning yesterday morning, was lit by the robbers that they might work with greater rapidity on the aperture in the floor of the dental office.

FARMERS' MUTUAL ASSOCIATION.

Ed. S. Battle, Receiver, Yesterday Took Charge of Pender-Brunswick Branch.

Ed. S. Battle, Esq, who was recently appointed receiver for the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Association by Judge Hoke, has given the bond required in the order and yesterday he went down to Southport and took charge of the books of the Pender and Brunswick branch of the concern.

It is learned that he will gradually acquire all the books and other properties of every branch in the State and will then proceed to wind up the affairs of the institution as directed by Judge Hoke.

Will be Ticket Agent.

Mr. J. Lee Moore, who has been the clever assistant to Mr. J. D. Edwards, A. C L ticket agent, left last night for Wilson where he will take charge of the ticket office there. The promotion is quite a compliment to Mr. Moore and one well deserved.

SHORT IN HIS ACCOUNTS.

Postmaster Bessent, of Little River, S. C, Said to Be an Embezzler of Government Funds.

News reached the city yesterday to the effect that Postmaster George D. Bessent, of Little River, S. C., about 30 miles down the coast from Wilmington, had been found short in his accounts with the government approximately $700 and that after being detected by Postoffice Inspector Buie who was sent there from Washington last Saturday, he had gone to Conway, S. C., the county seat, to give himself up to United States Marshal Quattlebaum. Bessent is an unmarried man, age about 35 years, and is from a good family. The announcement of his short age created quite a sensation in Little River, where he enjoyed the confidence of everybody.

It is said that Bessent concealed his shortage for some time by reporting about $800 in stamps on hand when, in fact, he had none, they having been exchanged for merchandise and otherwise disposed of. He sent an order to the Department for $78 worth in addition to those which the authorities supposed he had on hand and this created suspicion and led to the investigation with the result as stated.

The postoffice has been turned over temporarily to Mr. Robert Livingston, a merchant in the town and one of Bessent's bondsmen.

Inspector Buie was here yesterday, presumably to look after a number of registered letters which had passed through the Wilmington postoffice en route to Little River

Carolina Beach Next Season.

The STAR learns that it is more than probable that Mr. W. F. Biddell, a well known hotel man of Lumberton, N. C., will conduct the Carolina Beach Hotel next season. Capt. Jno. W. Harper says that very material improvements will be made to the building and it will be in better condition than in several years. The railroad from "Harper's pier" to the beach is being overhauled and from the preparations being made it is safe to predict that Carolina Beach will be more like itself next season than in several years past.

Died Last Night.

Capt. George Morrison, for many years a conductor of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company, and later with the Seaboard Air Line in the same capacity, died last night at 10:20 o'clock, at the City Hospital, after an illness of several years. Capt. Morrison was about 70 years of age, and for the past three or four years had been incapacitated for employment. He is survived by one brother, Mr. Thos. Morrison, who resides at corner of Fifth and Princess streets, and one daughter who resides with her husband at Seattle, Washington. The funeral arrangements had not been definitely decided upon last night.

For Whooping Cough use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Y. M. C. A. Auditorium.
Friday, Feb. 15, 8.30 P. M.
Piano, Violin and Vocal Recital with Recitations by Mr. Arthur C. Goodwin and Miss Edith Van Wagner, of Peace Institute, Raleigh, assisted by Mrs. W. L. Gattis, Miss Lilian Caldwell and Miss Hattie Taylor.
Admission, 25 cents.
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Opera House
Thursday, February 14.
MR. ERIC HOPE,
(Earl of Yarmouth),
Presenting Jerome K. Jerome's famous Comedy,
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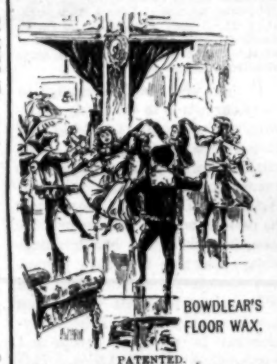

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The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, FEB. 14.

"A DISASTROUS EXPERIMENT"

As far as we know Senator McLaurin, of South Carolina, is the only Senator calling himself a Democrat who favors the Hanna ship subsidy scheme, and he is obliged to confess that the bill doesn't meet his full approval, but he supports it because some cotton spinners in the South in convention expressed themselves in favor of government aid to a merchant marine. That, according to Senator McLaurin, offsets whatever defects there may, in his opinion, be in the Frye-Payne, or as it is more frequently and doubtless more correctly called, the Hanna bill. By aligning himself with Hanna and company and against his Democratic colleagues, and his Democratic constituency, Senator McLaurin has achieved some temporary notoriety, has elicited a vote of practical censure from the Legislature of his own State, and some attention from the Democratic papers of the country, South and North, some of which show how much in error he is in taking it for granted that Hanna's grab will help the cotton growers, or manufacturers of the South, or help the South in any way.

Yesterday we published an extract from a letter of the Washington correspondent of the Atlanta *Constitution* showing what precious little prospect there is of Southern seaports benefitted by the proposed subsidies. The Philadelphia *Record* takes Senator McLaurin in hand to show him how little the cotton-growing industry of the South needs subsidized ships, and consequently how little it would be benefitted by it, and proceeds thus:

During the past calender year the exports of raw cotton amounted to 6,671,561 bales, of the value of $314,252 586. This is nearly 1 000,000 bales and over $1 000,000 000 in excess of the figures of cotton exports for the calendar year 1899. It would appear from this that the cotton exports of the south have small need of a subsidy stimulus. Great Britain stands at the head of the list of the foreign consumers of these enormous cotton exports, having paid for them $142,090,393 last year. Germany comes next as a purchaser ($78,473,376), and France next ($30,181,055). Japan consumed South ern cotton to the value of $9,073,000 last year.

"The largest portion of this American cotton was carried away in the ships of the countries which consume it. Very little of it was transported by fast mail steamers. Its carriers were tramp ships, which receive no bounty or favoritism from any Government, and eagerly compete with each other for freights. Is there any system so likely as this to cheapen rates of transportation for cotton?

"But," exclaim the subsidy mongers, "the American people pay foreign ship owners $200,000,000 a year for carrying their ocean freight!" While this has been exposed over and over again as a gross exaggeration, the questions recur: Who pay the freights on the enormous volume of exports from the United States—the producers or the foreign consumers? Who pay for the shipments of Southern cotton—the planters or the manufacturers of England, France and Germany, and their customers throughout the world? Senator McLaurin says that the South is now producing one-third of the whole exports of the country, and for this reason American ships should be subsidized to carry these exports. That is to say, a Government system should be adopted to take away from foreigners their share in carrying away the American products of farm and workshop which they consume. So far as Southern cotton planters are concerned this would be apt to prove a most disastrous experiment."

If there were not ships enough to carry our cotton to the foreign markets, and our planters suffered loss from deficient transportation, there might be some consistency and some excuse for the position taken by Senator McLaurin and those whom he represents, but that is not the case, for our cotton handlers have always been able to secure prompt and abundant transportation, save while so many vessels were taken into the service of the British Government to transport troops and war supplies to South Africa. This caused a temporary shortage of vessels and an advance in freight charges, but there was nothing like a clog in the cotton shipments. Comparatively cramped as the service was last year, transportation was found for 6,671,561 bales, about two-thirds of the crop.

Another point worthy of note in this connection is that while the cotton crop has steadily increased from year to year, until it is three times as large as it was a quarter of a century ago, the transportation has more than kept pace with the production, so that planters of the South have no more trouble in finding transportation for their large crops now than they did for their small crops some years ago. The ships that are built and owned abroad, while they sail under the flags of the respective countries in which they are owned, practically belong to the world and go under orders and contract all over the world, from any port in the world to any port in the world. They are the common carriers of the seas just as a railroad is a common carrier on land. Their business is to earn money, and they compete with each other to earn it, thus giving the commerce of the world as good service as can be secured by competition.

As a matter of national pride every American would like to see a splendid American merchant marine, but as a matter of business he should also desire to see a merchant marine owned by men who would compete with each other for cargoes, not only with each other but with the ship owners of other countries, thus giving our shippers the benefit of the cheapest transportation. This they might get from unsubsidized ships but not from the subsidized, for these subsidized ship owners would form themselves into a colossal combine to control the business, or they would by mutual agreement divide the trade between them so as not to conflict with each other. Between these with their subsidies they would have the advantage of the unsubsidized foreigner and would eventually drive him into other waters, giving them practical control of our shipping business, and then with foreign competition out of the way how would our shippers and our cotton growers fare? Would they have any better service or would their cotton cross the seas for less money? Not much.

BEGINNING TO UNDERSTAND IT.

Intelligent Northern people who give any thought to the suffrage question in the South are beginning to understand it and view it very differently now from what they did a few years ago. It is somewhat remarkable, too, that some of the plainest utterances for and strongest defences of qualified suffrage, that which eliminates the mass of ignorant and vicious negroes, have been made in Boston and other New England centers of abolitionism where years ago it was contended that the negro, the "man and brother," as they were wont to call him, was in every respect the equal of the white man and entitled to all the rights and privileges of the white man. This idea grew until it ceased to be confined to the New England States, for it took possession of the Republican party and became the inspiration of the suffrage and civil rights legislation.

Rev. Lyman Abbott delivered a lecture in Boston a few nights ago on "A Study of the Problems of Democracy," incidentally alluding to the suffrage question in the South, in which he is thus substantially quoted in a press dispatch:

"The result of the universal suffrage was to give political power to a great body of ex slaves without previous training or education and without political capacity. The carpet-bag government notoriously failed to protect person, property, reputation or family. The South engaged in a revolution for the purpose of overthrowing it. The bottom of society never ought to govern the top, and it would govern the top if political power was conferred upon a great body of ignorant and incompetent voters.

Dr. Abbott declared that the North ought to sympathize with the end which the South had in view. He applauded the attempts in recent years to have the better element govern the South. The fact that the negroes, emerging from a condition of absolute poverty, own about $300,000,000 worth of personal and real estate, conclusively shows that their personal and property rights are in the main well protected. The further fact that the South expends about $40 000,000 annually in school funds, of which sum the negroes contribute one thirtieth, shows conclusively that the South desires the education of the negro.

"There should be drawn," continued Dr Abbott, "not a color or race line, but a character line. Booker T. Washington should not be refused a ballot because his face is black, when an ignorant, incompetent, drunken white man is allowed the right of suffrage. Manhood must come first, suffrage afterward.

"I regret the recrudescence of barbarism in the operation of lynch law," but with lynchings in Ohio, with a Kansas woman smashing saloons in Topeka and another woman demolishing drug stores in Chicago we must realize that this evil is not distinctly Southern."

The scope and intent of negro enfranchisement in the South was to put the "bottom rail" on top—not to benefit the negro, for the men who concocted that kind of legislation knew better than that, but to help the Republican party and enable it to hold the power that was slipping from its grasp. There are few sensible people, not actuated by partisan motives, who would now contend that the bottom rail should be on top.

Mr. Barrett, former minister to Siam, predicts that the next big war will be between Japan and Russia, and that Japan will whip because she has the best navy and "the best equipped and the most able of all the armies in the world." This looks like some exaggeration but there is foundation for the tribute to Japan.

Cold Steel or Death.

"There is but one small chance to save your life and that is through an operation," was the awful prospect set before Mrs. I B. Hunt, of Lime Ridge, Wis, by her doctor after vainly trying to cure her of a frightful case of stomach trouble and yellow jaundice. He didn't count on the marvellous power of Electric Bitters to cure Stomach and Liver troubles, but she heard of it, took seven bottles, was wholly cured, avoided the surgeon's knife, now weighs more and feels better than ever. It's positively guaranteed to cure Stomach, Liver and Kidney troubles and never disappoints Price 50c. at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

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FIGHTING THE FILIPINOS AND NATURE, TOO.

It isn't the Filipinos only that our soldiers in the Philippines have to fight, but nature, too, which is more destructive than bullets. We have had numerous reports of the casualties by death and disease, but here is the latest authentic one, from Col. Charles P. Greenleaf, chief surgeon of the army of occupation. After stating that there are 375 garrisons in the islands, necessitating a larger medical force than would be necessary if the troops were more concentrated, he says:

"The 'sick reports' show that for seven months, from January 1, 1900, to July 31, 1900, the ratio of 'non effectives' averaged 8.84 per cent. In June, 1900, when the strength of the army was 63.284 the number of 'non-effectives' was 5 563, or 8 79 per cent. In January, 1900, the total strength was 63,428, and the number of 'non-effectives' was 5,590, or 8 81 per cent Intestinal diseases (including typhoid fever) cause 35 per cent. of the total disabilities, malarial fever 23 per cent. and wounds about 10 per cent. It is estimated that 44 per cent. of the total non-effective force suffers from disease which is preventable by improved sanitation. All sickness in the Philippines, as in other tropical countries, produces an effect on the general economy, says Colonel Greenleaf, that does not follow similar sickness in the temperate regions, sapping vital forces which are not restored by natural processes The effect of illness is cumulative, the patient becoming disabled permanently. A patient suffering from malaria is sometimes cured by removal to a sanitary point in the island, but even after recovering reinfection with malaria frequently follows, and in many instances the man either dies or has to be invalided home. Rheumatism is practically incurable, while complete recovery from intestinal diseases is a rare exception.

Continuing he remarks that the ratio of deaths from disease compared with deaths from wounds is as three to one, and the mortality from disease is 26.7 per thousand per annum. Instead of getting better he says it will get worse, for "as time progresses and the men become more debilitated by tropical service the more marked will become the ratio of deaths. The non-preventable diseases will become more severe in type and more intractable."

This is not a very cheerful outlook, even if we succeed in subjugating the Filipinos, or in seducing them into taking the oath of allegiance, for a big army will be necessary for an "indefinite period," as Senator Carter expressed it, or for "a long time," as General MacArthur expressed it, to garrison the islands, to hold the disorderly or pugnacious elements down. And the implacable and insatiable reaper, death, will demand his victims right along, and in greater number than now. What an awful price we are paying for "benevolent assimilation," or grab.

AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS FOR THE WORLD.

This country is becoming the agricultural implement maker for the world, as shown by the remarkable progress made within the past four years in exports to different foreign countries. The following table, which we clip from the New York *Journal of Commerce*, shows the increase in these exports last year as compared with 1896.

	1896.	1900
United Kingdom	$518 943	$1 89 498
France	4 9 0 6	2 9 5 7 5 5
Germany	535 15	2 9 8 7 0 7
Other Europ	9 6 8 8 1	3 0 1 9 8 7 4
British North Amer ca	3 1 1 4 4	1 7 4 6 1
Mexico	1 2 0 8 7	8 4 3 0 2
Argentine	8 0 0 4 9 1	1 3 0 1 5 1 5
Other South America	2 2 4 5 7 6	3 4 5 8 3
British Australasia	6 4 4 9 3	1 1 0 7 7 1
Africa	4 1 4 6 8 3	2 2 9 0 9 3
Total	$1,643 7 9	$13 9 7 9 9 9

This is nearly a four-fold increase in four years, with the indications that it will continue for some time, as it is stated that there are now stored in three of the largest ports 25,000 tons of these implements awaiting shipment, a great part of which goes to Southern Russia. Argentina is also a large buyer. These two facts are significant, and ought to interest the American farmer.

The sale of these implements means money in the pocket of the American makers, but it also means money eventually out of the pocket of the American farmer, for Southern Russia and Argentina are the American farmer's coming competitors, and when they are furnished with American farm implements and learn how to use them their competition will become formidable, and at no distant day either, judging from the progress made in both of those countries, and the rapidity with which Southern Siberia is becoming populated.

A Pretoria dispatch says there are about 60,000 Boers in the corralls that Kitchener has established. As there were only about 300,000 people including the outlanders in the Boer country at the beginning of the racket, Gen. Kitchener's scoopers must have been raking the country effectively.

A Night of Terror.

"Awful anxiety was felt for the widow of the brave General Burnham, of Machias, Me., when the doctors said she could not live till morning," writes Mrs S. H Lincoln, who attended her that fearful night. "All thought she must soon die from Pneumonia, but she begged for Dr. King's New Discovery, saying it had more than once saved her life, and had cured her of Consumption. After three small doses she slept easily all night, and its further use completely cured her." This marvellous medicine is guaranteed to cure all Throat, Chest and Lung Diseases. Only 50c. and $1 00. Trial bottles 10c. at R. R. PELLAMY'S drug store. †

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Gastonia *Gazette*: The Clover Manufacturing Company's artesian well is still going down through rock. It is now 800 feet deep, and is still going down at the rate of $5 a foot.

— Elizabeth City *News*: Mr. J. C. Wilson, an esteemed citizen of Woodville, died very suddenly at his home Wednesday evening, February 6th He was in our town Saturday looking very strong and healthy.

— Clarkton *Express*: Mrs. J. A. McKay, whose home was on Cape Fear river, died last Saturday. She had been a great sufferer of recent years. —— Mrs Carey McKee, who lived near Abbottsburg, died on the 11th of February. Mrs McKee was a daughter of Mr. James Stubos.

— Asheboro *Courier*: A large crop of wheat is raised in Randolph every year. Last year there was an unusually large crop. The *Courier* undertook to get up the amount raised from the threshers. A number reported, making in all reported about 230 000 bushels threshed. We believe that there were some 400,000 or more bushels threshed.

— Durham *Herald*: At an early hour Monday morning there was a wholesale jail delivery in Durham. There were six prisoners and two insane persons confined in the jail. All six of the prisoners made their escape, leaving those of weak mind behind. The escape was effected about 2 o'clock and since then it has been learned that they were about five or six hours in getting out.

— Greenville *Reflector*: There has been a dreadful outbreak of smallpox in the Speights Bridge section of Greene county. Notice of the probable existence of the disease there was sent to Dr. D. T. Taylor, of Washington, who is one of the inspectors for the State, and he went Sunday to investigate. On his way back he stopped Sunday night in Greenville. In conversation with Mayor Moye, Dr. Taylor said he found fourteen well developed cases of the disease, and could no doubt have found time to carry the investigation.

TWINKLINGS.

— He—"How many birthday anniversaries have you passed?" She—"I haven't passed any since I was 22. I stand on my dignity and let them pass me."—*Chicago Daily News.*

— Late Realization—"I now realize," said the pig, as they loaded him in the wagon bound for the butcher's, "I now realize that over-eating tends to shorten life."—*Indianapolis Press.*

— Suicidal: "I hear a lot of the rich young men in town have organized a suicidal club." "Yes. They're killing themselves with late hours and high living."—*Philadelphia Evening Bulletin.*

— "What are you crying for?" asked the kind old lady. "I jes' lost a nickel," blubbered the boy. "Never mind; here's another one for you How did you lose it?" "Shootin' craps."—*Philadelphia Record*

— A colonial paper contains an advertisement of an enterprising tradesman who, at the end of it announces: "Ministers supplied with goods at cost price if they agree to mention the fact to their congregations."—*Tit Bits.*

— "He says he has settled down to business again," remarked the common friend. "He hit it exactly!" exclaimed the merchant. "He couldn't have chosen a better term. He has settled down, but he hasn't settled up."—*Chicago Post.*

— Two Excellent Reasons: "Why did you lynch him?" we asked of the mob. "Well, he confessed." This seemed reasonable, but again we asked, "Why did you lynch the other man?" "Because he wouldn't confess, consarn him."—*Town Topics*

— Life's Horrid Grind: "I was shocked to hear of Cholly Smallpyte's suicide. Was there any known cause for it?" "Nothing is definitely known about it, but he was heard to say one day that he was tired of the trouble of looking after his finger nails."—*Chicago Tribune.*

— "What is these here pessimists?" asked Mrs. Jason, pausing in her reading to polish her glasses. "Near's I can figger 'em out," answered Mr. Jason, as he squinted down the side of the ax handle he was scraping with a bit of glass—"near's I kin make out they're divided among fellers that has had too much to eat and them that hasn't had enough."—*Indianapolis Press.*

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Mrs. Nation claims to be inspired and directly by the God of the universe. This is additional proof that the poor woman is unbalanced and ought to be as a kindness to her restrained. She's not fit to be at large.—*Chattanooga Times, Ind.*

—— Congress the other day passed a bill in which the harbors of Porto Rico were included among the "navigable waters of the United States." For certain proposes Porto Rico is American territory; for others it is not.—*Savannah News, Dem.*

—— Senator Chandler's bill prohibiting corporations from contributing to campaign funds has been reported favorably. But, in Senator Chandler's case, this is very much like locking the stable door after the horse has been stolen The locomotive that ran over Bill is now out o'sight.—*Atlanta Journal, Dem.*

—— The soldier who has a valid claim upon his country for a pension takes his turn for consideration as the law provides, and awaits the slow adjudication of the Pension Office. The soldier who has no claim that the Pension Office would consider or the law allow appeals to his Representative in Congress and has his private bill log-rolled through that body in a jiffy. It is this kind of thing that fills the souls of veterans with disgust. The nation pays ungrudgingly to deservers; but the abuse of its bounty has grown to the dimension of a public scandal.—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

HOTELS IN SIBERIA.

A Sample of the Rooms, Accommodations, Prices and Rules.

At Vladivostok we were told there were no hotels in Khabarovk. There were none. There are two public houses called hotels, and to one of these, a two story log house, the London, we accompanied our pleasant Russian traveling companions. There are 15 rooms in the London. Mr. Martzinkovich took two for his family, we took one, and the landlord took us all in. To get any room was luck. Every day people were turned away with their loads of bones and bundles. What became of them is an unsolved mystery. The disappointed men frowned and said hard things, and the women, ever patient and passive, calmly accepted the situation.

We who were housed consoled ourselves with our window views of the disappointment. We had no other consolation. Our accommodations were vile. At 2 rubles a day we had the use of a room 6 by 12 feet, containing a looking glass 8 by 5 inches nailed on the wall too low for standing use; a small metal pitcher and basin, the former never filled except by special request; a single iron bedstead, the wornout springs of which had been replaced with boards; three shaky chairs and a common wooden table.

The bed had a single straw mattress and a dingy red blanket, and the floor and table were covered with dirty and dilapidated oilcloth. The room was papered in bright blue, and the single sash curtain was of dingy cotton. Tacked along the wall beside the bed, probably for ornament, was the remnant of an old felt piano cover.

Above the table on a piece of cardboard were scrawled the following rules: Price of room one day, 2 rubles; extra bed, 50 kopecks; ten for one, 25 kopecks; tea for two, 40 kopecks; dinner (three dishes), 1 ruble; dinner (two dishes), 75 kopecks. Every person taking a room must pay for 24 hours, no matter how short his stay. The person who stays one hour over 24 must pay for an extra half day. The person who stays 30 hours must pay for 48 hours.—Hotel World.

— Newton *Enterprise*: An ice factory is another new industry for Newton. Rhyne, Houk & Co. will put in a plant adjoining their roller mill, and will have it running by the time the hot weather comes. —— The proposition to issue $100,000 in bonds for macadamizing the county roads is a sweeping the country with a whoop. Everybody is signing the petitions. The idea is to get good roads at once and let them pay for themselves.

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

The quotations are always given as accurately as possible, but the STAR will not be responsible for any variations from the actual market price of the articles quoted

☞ The following quotations represent wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

BAGGING—		
2 ℔ Jute		8½@ 9½
Standard		8@ 8½
Burlaps		6@ 6½
WESTERN SMOKED—		
Hams ℔	10@	12½
Sides ℔		8½
Shoulders ℔	8½@	9
DRY SALTED—		
Sides ℔	7½@	7¾
Shoulders ℔	7½@	7¾
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—		
Second-hand, each	1 35@	1 40
Second-hand machine	@	1 40
New New York, each	@	1 45
New City, each	@	1 45
BRICKS—		
Wilmington ℔ M	7 00@	7 50
Northern	9 00@	14 00
BUTTER—		
North Carolina ℔	20@	25
Northern	25@	28
CORN MEAL—		
Per bushel, in sacks	52@	53
Virginia Meal	52@	53
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	@	1 35
CANDLES—℔		
Sperm	18@	20
Adamantine	8@	11
CHEESE—℔		
Northern Factory	13@	14
Dairy Cream	13½@	14
Half Cream	12½@	13
COFFEE—℔		
Laguyra	11@	12½
Rio	9@	11
DOMESTICS—		
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard	@	6½
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 ℔s	@	70
FISH—		
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	20 00@	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl	11 00@	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00@	18 00
Mackerel, No 2 ℔ half-bbl	9 00@	10 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 50@	3 75
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	3 00@	3 25
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00@	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔	@	10
Extra	4 25@	4 50
FLOUR—℔ barrel		
Low grade	3 25@	3 50
Choice	@	3 75
Straight	@	4 00
First Patent	4 50@	4 75
GLUE—℔	9@	10
GRAIN—℔ bushel		
Corn, from store, bgs—White	59@	60
Mixed Corn	57@	59
Car-load, in bgs—White	@	76
Oats, from store	37½@	40
Oats, Rust Proof	42½@	45
Cow Peas	90@	1 00
HIDES—		
Green salted	5½@	6
Dry flint	10@	11
Dry salt	9@	10
HAY ℔ hundred		
No 1 Timothy	95@	1 00
Rice Straw	40@	50
Eastern	90@	95
Western	90@	95
North River	@	90
HOOP IRON, ℔	2½@	2¾
LARD, ℔		
Northern	6½@	8½
North Carolina	9@	10
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15@	1 20
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M		
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00@	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00@	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00@	15 00
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—		
Barbadoes, in hogshead	@	25
Barbadoes, in barrels	@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads	28@	30
Porto Rico, in barrels	26@	32
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12@	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14@	16
Syrup, in barrels	15@	18
NAILS, ℔ keg—Cut, 60d basis	@	2 35
PORK, ℔ barrel—		
City Mess	@	15 00
Rump	@	14 50
Prime	@	14 50
ROPE, ℔	11@	12
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum	@	1 25
Liverpool	90@	1 10
American	90@	1 00
On 100 ℔ Sacks	65@	70
SUGAR, ℔ lb—Standard Gran'd	5½@	5¾
Standard A	5¼@	5½
White Extra C	5@	5¼
Extra C, Golden	4¾@	5
C Yellow	4½@	4¾
SOAP, ℔ lb—Northern	3@	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	6 00@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead	@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping	9 00@	9 00
Common mill	4 00@	5 00
Fair mill	6 00@	7 00
Prime mill	7 50@	8 50
Extra mill	8 50@	9 50
SHINGLES, N. C. Cypress sawed ℔ M 6x24 heart	4 25@	5 00
" Sap	3 00@	3 25
5x20 Heart	2 25@	2 50
" Sap	1 50@	1 75
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon Northern	1 00@	2 10

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CATARRH OF THE PELVIC ORGANS.

The Reason Why So Many Women Are Sick.

Mrs. Eliza Wike, 196 Iron St., Akron, O.

Mrs. Eliza Wike says: "I would be in my grave now if it had not been for your God-sent remedy, Pe-ru-na. Everybody says I am looking so much better. No doctor could help me as Pe-ru-na did. I was a broken-down woman. It is now seven years past that I was cured."

Mrs. Sarah Gallits, of Luton, Ia., also writes: "I was suffering with the change of life. I had spells of flowing every two or three weeks, which would leave me nearly dead. I had given up hope of being cured, when I heard of Dr. Hartman's remedies and began to use them. I am entirely cured, and give all the credit to Pe-ru-na."

But comparatively few women who are suffering with pelvic catarrh know that this is the case. Their trouble is called dyspepsia, heart trouble, female weakness, weak lungs, nervous debility; indeed, almost the whole category of medical terms has been applied to catarrh of some organ of the female anatomy. If these women could only realize that their trouble is probably catarrh of the organs peculiar to women or pelvic organs, and cure themselves with Pe-ru-na, how much unnecessary suffering would be saved.

Mrs. Karolina Suter, 2138 Vine street, Cincinnati, O., says: "Two years ago I fell on the ice. At first I did not think that I had hurt myself; but several months after I felt pains in the abdomen, and a little later my menses failed to appear. I wrote to you in regard to it, hearing that you cured female troubles, and followed your directions. I took Pe-ru-na and Man-a-lin. I now have the best of health.

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Dr. Hartman has written a book especially for women. It treats of female catarrh in all its different phases and stages. It contains common sense talks on subjects which should interest every

A book will be sent free to any woman. Address Dr. Hartman, Columbus, O.

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

Quoted officially at the closing by the Produce Exchange.]

STAR OFFICE, February 13.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Nothing doing.

TAR—Market steady at $1.15 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market quiet at $1.30 per barrel for hard, $2.30 for dip, and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine, nothing doing; rosin firm at $1 35@1.40; tar firm at $1.30; crude turpentine firm at $2.00 @$3.25.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	65
Rosin	65
Tar	261
Crude turpentine	20

Receipts same day last year.—11 casks spirits turpentine, 88 bbls rosin, 257 bbls tar, 8 bbls crude turpentine.

Market firm on a basis of 9¼c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	6 13-16	cts.	℔ lb
Good ordinary	8 8 16	"	"
Low middling	8 13 16	"	"
Middling	9¼	"	"
Good middling	9 9 16	"	"

Same day last year middling firm at 8¼c.

Receipts—234 bales; same day last year, 1,516.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 70c. Extra prime, 75c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 80c. Virginia—Prime, 50c; extra prime, 54c; fancy, 60c; Spanish, 75c.

CORN—Firm, 58 to 60 cents per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 13 to 15c per pound; shoulders, 8 to 10c; sides, 8 to 10c.

EGGS—Firm at 13c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Dull. Grown, 12½@ 25c; springs, 10@17c.

TURKEYS—Live, dull at 8 to 8½c; dressed, 10 to 11c.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 55c.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—Money on call steady at 2@2½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3½@4 per cent. Sterling exchange easier, with actual business in bankers' bills at 487⅞@488 for demand and 484½@488⅝ for sixty days. Posted rates 485¼ and 489. Commercial bills 483¾@484¼. Silver certificates 62@63. Bar silver 60⅝ Mexican dollars 47⅜. Government bonds steady. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds weak. U. S. refunding 2's reg'd, 105¼; U. S. refund'g 2's, coupon, 105¼; U.S. 3's, reg'd,—; U.S. 3's, reg'd, 110¾; do. coupon, 110¾; U. S. 4's, new reg'd, 137½; do. coupon, 137½; U. S. 4's, old reg'd, 113¾; do. coupon, 113¾; U. S. 5's, reg'd. 110½; do. coupon, 110¾; Southern R'y 5's 116. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 91; Chesapeake & Ohio 41; Manhattan L 117½; N. Y. Central 143; Reading 33¾; do 1st pref'd 74¾; St. Paul, 149⅝; do. pref'd, 190; Southern Railway 23⅝; pref'd 75½; American Tobacco, 115. do. pref'd 140; People's Gas 101½; Sugar 136⅜; do. pref'd 119¼; T. C. & Iron 63¾; U. S. Leather 13⅜; do. preferred 74¾; Western Union 89¼. Standard Oil 818 @820.

BALTIMORE, February 13 —Seaboard Air Line, common, 13¾@13¾; do. preferred 29¾@29¾ Bonds—4's 72¾.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13 —Rosin steady Spirits turpentine quiet.

CHARLESTON, Feb. 13.—Spirits turpentine steady at 36½c; sales — casks Rosin firm and unchanged.

SAVANNAH, Feb. 13.—Spirits turpentine quiet at 37; sales 374 casks; receipts 425 casks; exports 1 329 casks. Rosin firm and unchanged; sales 498 barrels; receipts 3,043 barrels; exports 1,420 barrels.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—The cotton market developed positive weakness to-day in the absence of any public interest to overcome the more or less generally adverse conditions. Cables were disappointing, with Liverpool showing a decline of 1 32d in spot prices and a decline of one and one half to three and one-half points in futures. In addition to the bearish foreign news, influences in this country were against the market; the semi weekly stocks show some increase in the absence of demand, with receipts still large. This was an offset to port receipts, which continued light. Under these conditions the local market opened at a decline of three to seven points, and gave way four to twenty points further. Liquidation was quite active, otherwise the market was quiet. The decline was arrested by profit-taking by the short interest and some buying in a small way for an upturn on the idea that during the late period of depression the market had become oversold. The market closed easy at a net decline of seven to twenty-four points.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—Cotton dull; middling uplands 9 9-16c.

Cotton futures market closed easy: February 9.06, March 9.09, April 9 04, May 9.07, June 9 03 July 9.03, August 8.67, September 8.15, October 7 95, November 7.84 December 7 81.

Spot cotton closed quiet and 1 16c lower: middling uplands 9 9 16c; middling gulf 9 13 16c; sales 1,305 bales

Net receipts 1,771 bales; gross receipts 8,398 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,721 bales; stock 151,447 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 20,487 bales; exports to Great Britain 13 097 bales; exports to the Continent 10,134 bales; stock 918,610 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 86,646 bales; exports to Great Britain 33,029 bales; exports to France 25 bales; exports to the Continent 20,466 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 5,562 097 bales; exports to Great Britain 2.082 602 bales; exports to France 489,639 bales; exports to the Continent 1,537,589 bales.

February 13.—Galveston, quiet at 9 5-16c, net receipts 7,504 bales; Norfolk, quiet at 9¾c, net receipts 602 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 9¾c, net receipts —— bales; Boston, quiet at 9¾c, net receipts 707 bales; Wilmington, firm at 9¼c, net receipts 294 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 9 13 16c, net receipts 109 bales; Savannah, quiet and easy at 9 5 16c, net receipts 3,361 bales; New Orleans, steady at 9 3 16c, net receipts 5 060 bales; Mobile, quiet at 9¼c, net receipts 273 bales; Memphis, steady at 9¾c, net receipts 1,404 bales; Augusta, dull at 9¼c, net receipts 332 bales; Charleston, steady at 9¼c, net receipts 52 bales

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 13.—Flour was firmer and a trifle more active on the rise in wheat. Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red 81c f. o. b. afloat; options opened steady and at once expanded into positive strength, which lasted with few exceptions all day. Besides continental buying of July wheat, there was active covering by shorts, strong French markets, small Duluth receipts and presumably influential buying at Chicago. Closed strong at ¼c net advance. No. 2 red March closed 79¾c; May closed 80¾c; July closed 80c. Corn—Spot firm; No. 2 48½c at elevator and 47¾c f. o. b. afloat; options were strong and more active all day, influenced by a bullish cash outlook and scarce March shorts, big clearances, firm English cables and prospects for smaller receipts. Closed strong and ¼@1¼c net higher. Quoted: March closed 48c; May closed 45¼c; July closed 44¼c. Oats—Spot dull; No. 2 30½c; options slow but firmly held, in sympathy with corn. Lard steady; Western steam $7 80; refined steady; continent $7 95. South American $8 60; compound 5¾@5¾c. Pork steady; family $15 00@15 50; short clear $14 75@16 50; mess $13 75@14 50. Butter firm; fresh creamery 16@22c; factory 11@14¼. Rice steady. Tallow irregular Potatoes quiet; Jersey $1 25 @1 75; New York $1 50@1 75; Long Island $1 50@1 87½; Jersey sweets $1 75@2 50. Petroleum steady. Eggs unsettled; State and Pennsylvania at mark 20@20½c; Southern at mark 19@20½. Cabbages steady. Cheese firm; fancy large, fall made 11¼@ 11¾; small fancy, fall made 11¾@12c Cotton seed oil—There was a moderate trade in prompt and nearby oil to day at practically unchanged prices, closing steady: Prime crude, in barrels, 37½c, nominal; prime summer yellow 30@30½; off summer yellow 30 @30½c; prime white 34@35c; prime winter yellow 35½@36; prime meal $23. Freights to Liverpool—Cotton by steam 15c. Coffee

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A CURIOUS INCIDENT.

AN UNUSED ROOM THAT HAD A DASH OF MYSTERY IN IT.

A Transformation That Was Quickly and Silently Effected, or It May Be an Optical Illusion That Deceived Three Pairs of Eyes.

In the course of the after dinner talk at a little gathering a few nights ago a well known professional man of New Orleans told the following singular story: "In the spring of 1892," he said, "I was living in a house on North Rampart street which I had taken on a one year lease, expecting to build. Our family consisted of myself and wife, our little boy, then only 5 years old, and my unmarried sister. The house was a two story brick which had been built before the war, and the interior arrangement was very simple. The front door opened on a hall which contained the staircase and ran all the way through on the right hand side, while on the left was first our parlor, then the dining room and lastly a small unused apartment not much larger than a closet. Up stairs were bedrooms, and in the rear was a detached kitchen.

"We allowed the little room on the first floor to stand vacant for several reasons. To begin with, it was really too small for actual service and was badly lighted by only one high, narrow window. Besides, some of the plastering had fallen from the ceiling, and I was afraid the rest might come tumbling down on our heads. That was undoubtedly a source of danger and prevented us from using it for storage, so we simply left it as we found it—entirely empty. I suppose the room was constructed originally for a pantry. I have been a little particular in describing these details because, as you will see, they have a direct bearing on my story.

"We had been living in the house almost a year," continued the speaker, "when one Sunday in June, as nearly as I can remember, I went with my wife and child to see some friends near Audubon park. My sister was visiting at Biloxi at the time, and we let the servant off for a holiday. We got back at 5 o'clock or thereabout, for I recollect it was still quite light, and as we were walking toward the house I noticed that somebody had left a stepladder standing directly in front of the high window opening into the little disused room on the ground floor. 'That's rather a cordial invitation to prowlers,' I said, half jokingly. 'Let's see whether any have availed themselves of it.'

"So when we went inside we walked back together to the last door, and I pushed it open. 'Why, what does this mean?' I exclaimed in amazement. There was nobody there, but the room, which had always been entirely vacant, contained several pieces of furniture. A rough looking table stood in one corner with an old fashioned straight backed chair in front of it, and opposite was a small cot bed. There were some papers and other things on the table and a religious print stuck on one of the walls.

"I started to enter, but my wife held me back. 'Don't go in,' she pleaded. 'The plaster may fall. Those things must belong to the cook.' 'It struck me as very strange that the cook should move in without asking permission, but I noticed my wife was very nervous, so I drew the door to, and we went into the parlor. A few moments later I walked outside to shift the ladder, and as I picked it up I glanced through the window. The room was perfectly empty.

"I am not superstitious, and the proof of it is that I thought immediately I was the victim of some practical joke. I reentered the house quietly from the rear and again I opened the door. The room was as empty as a drum, and it was evident at a glance that no sort of trickery was remotely possible. I won't attempt to describe my feelings. I was so shocked, so bewildered, so frightened, to tell you the truth, that for a moment or two I was simply rooted to the spot. Then I pulled myself together somehow and went back to the parlor. My wife saw at once that something was wrong. 'It's that room!' I blurted out. 'There's nothing in it now—not a stick!' and immediately I had a case of hysterics on my hands. That's about all there is to the story.

"Next morning I examined the place carefully by broad sunlight, and it was plain from the dust on the floor that no furnishing of any kind had been there for years. We left the house before the end of the week, paying a month's forfeit on the lease, not because we believe in spooks, but because we didn't care to remain in a place where unaccountable things happen. It's bad for the nerves.

"My wife and I have talked the matter over a thousand times, carefully comparing notes, and as far as we know we both saw exactly the same things. My boy must have seen them, too, because when he went back to the parlor he asked his mother whether that wasn't Aunt Hattie's chair. Aunt Hattie is an old relative of ours who has a favorite straight back chair, similar to the one we saw—or thought we saw—in the room. Of course we have never allowed ourselves to refer to the occurrence before the child, so I am unable to say positively what else he observed. What I saw myself was as plain and distinct as you are at this moment. I even noticed that one of the table legs had been mended with a piece of slat, and my wife remarked the same thing. The house is still standing and has since been occupied by several successive tenants. As far as I am aware none of them has ever had any unusual experience."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

One Who Controls.

"Who is the head of your house?"

The benedict gives a few minutes to the consideration of the question before answering.

"No one," he said finally. "My wife and I started our married life on perfect equality. As you might say, we trot in double harness and"—

"Well?"

"Well, I guess, perhaps, the baby drives the team."—Chicago Post.

The Parson Caught On.

"My dear brother," said the prominent member to the pastor, "the congregation desires to present you this handsome watch as a token of"—

It goes without saying that the pastor understood and cut his sermons down to less than an hour each.—Baltimore News.

It is a rule of Zulu warfare for the young impis to go first into the battle, while the men of the old guard stand by and criticise their conduct in the fight.

Sugar in the Human System.

Sugar is a substance that dissolves easily and in considerable quantity in water. When in solution it easily passes through animal's membrane by osmosis, and so the question of its absorption seemed simple enough. The disease diabetes showed, however, that sugar might exist very plentifully in the blood and yet the nutrition of an individual suffer very much for the lack of it. Something else besides its mere presence in the system was necessary to secure its consumption by the tissues.

Bernard thought that the liver was active in the consumption of sugar and that disease of this organ caused diabetes. He therefore secured some of the blood going to the liver of a living animal and some of the blood that was just leaving it. To his surprise, the blood leaving the liver contained more sugar than that entering it.

After assuring himself that his observations were correct, he tried his experiments in different ways. He found that even in the blood leaving the liver of an animal that had been fed only on substances containing no sugar, sugar could be demonstrated. Even in a fasting animal the liver itself and the blood leaving it showed the presence of a form of sugar.

The only possible conclusion from this was that the liver was capable of manufacturing this form of sugar out of nonsugar containing material, or even from the blood of a fasting animal.—Catholic World.

ANOTHER WHEAT PEST.

A White Grub Which Injures Wheat by Working In the Stalk.

Wheat in western New York has been seriously injured the past spring by a white grub that works in the stalk. The grub apparently starts near the base and bores the full length, from the roots to the head. When full grown, it measures about half an inch in length. There are no markings on the body, but the head is pale brown.

Before changing to the pupa stage the grub cuts the stalk nearly in two at a point very near the surface of the ground. It then passes down to the base and forms a case of thin, almost transparent, material, in which the transformation to the pupa takes place.

Infested wheat lodges badly, but there is a marked difference in the appearance of the fallen wheat infested with the grub and that infested with the Hessian fly. The former bends just above the root and lies flat on the ground, while the latter usually bends at a point higher up on the stalk. The heads also are well developed and the kernels plump, which is not usually the case with wheat attacked by the Hessian fly.

The life history of this insect has evidently not been fully worked out, and as we have not yet seen the adult it is impossible to determine the species. We have the insect under observation and find that the grubs are now changing to pupæ within the stalks close to the base.

Judging from reports the insect is well distributed in western New York. In the vicinity of Geneva some of the fields have been injured seriously.

As the grubs are now in the straws just below the surface of the ground, deep, flat plowing will doubtless result in crushing many of them and otherwise preventing the development of many more. Rolling the stubble might also have some effect, also burning if practicable. Although it is not improbable that the adult insects will not escape for some time, the safest course is to apply the remedy at once, writes V. H. Lowe of the New York station to Country Gentleman.

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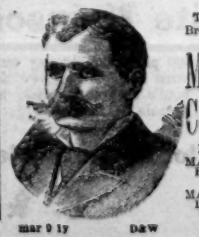

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IN THE FACE OF DANGER.

How Sudden Frights or Shocks Affect Different Natures.

"Sudden frights, shocks or the presence of physical danger," said a close observer, "have curiously divergent effects on different natures. The presence of danger will render some men as cool as ice, others—and equally brave—will tremble violently and break into a perspiration.

"I remember once hearing of a chap who, coming uninjured out of a railroad wreck, worked like a demon to assist his less fortunate fellow passengers. All the time he was at work, however, he held one hand to his collar, and when it was over one of his companions discovered that he was holding tight to his necktie, which he had been in the act of tying when the collision occurred.

"At the time of the Chicago fire the wife of one of the great millionaires of that day owned the most valuable laces in America, possibly in the world. She had a box made for them of just sufficient depth for the handle to prevent its going under the wardrobe. This was done to insure her maid or herself seeing and not forgetting it in case of fire. She saved her jewels, but her laces went up in the flames, as neither maid nor mistress remembered in their fright the laces they had taken such precautions to insure the safety of.

"I know a young girl who had learned to swim quite well, and one day she essayed the feat of swimming across a bathing pool on a wager. There were plenty of people about, and the distance was not great, but when she was half way across some one called out, 'How deep is it?' She let her foot down to find no friendly resting place beneath. Instantly she lost her nerve and sank. She came up once, tried to scream, but the water choked her, and down she went again. A man who was lounging in the gallery surrounding the pool, realizing that something was wrong, jumped in, clothes and all, and dragged her out. He was none too soon, for she was unconscious when he pulled her up. It was the sheer fright of knowing that she was out of her depth that caused it all, as other wise there wasn't the slightest danger."—New York Tribune.

The Art of Chinese Porcelains.

It is only the bright side of life that is represented on Chinese porcelains. John Chinaman's existence as depicted by himself on these fragile monuments appears to be all play and no work. There are pleasure pavilions, where emperors come to see pretty ladies boating among lotus blooms; wedding processions proceeding from house to house, with tomtoms and banners, feasts and sacrifices, jousts and tournaments. Scholars are inditing poetry or playing chess; lovers are strolling by moonlight, or voyaging up the Yang-tse or the Hwang river, in a boat of coral or of curled lotus leaf, a fairy princess goes to pay her respects to the queen of the genii on her birthday. Between rocks of cobalt blue the round, red sun sinks to rest behind the mountains of the western paradise, and Hang-tseang-tse plays his flute, and the stork of longevity and the bats of happiness accompany the pair on their journey. Pieces so decorated were intended to serve for birthday presents, and the picture conveyed the donor's wish that the friend to whom he sent it might enjoy many returns of the day.—Art Amateur.

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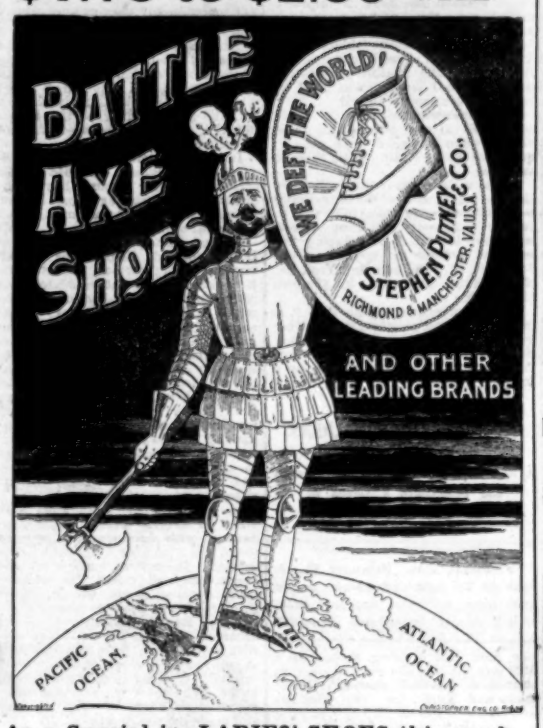

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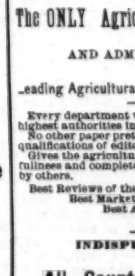

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DAILY 7.00 P. M.—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.30 P. M., Warsaw 8.43 P. M., Goldsboro 9.37 P. M., Wilson 10.30 P. M., †Tarboro 8.46 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.23 P. M., Weldon 1.30 A. M., †Norfolk 10.35 A. M., Petersburg 3.10 A. M., Richmond 4.00 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 5.30 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M., New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.35 P. M.—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.15 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M.—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.58 P. M., Chadbourn 5.30 P. M., Marion 6.40 P. M., Florence 7.25 P. M., Sumter 9 12 P. M., Columbia 10.32 P. M., Denmark 5.55 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M., Charleston 10.55 P. M., Savannah 2 45 A. M., Jacksonville 5.50 A. M., St. Augustine 11.10 A. M., Tampa 6.45 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M.—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12 05 P. M., leave Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.45 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 6.00 P. M.—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.00 P. M., New York *9.25 P. M., Philadelphia 12.20 A. M., Baltimore 2.55 A. M., Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 9.40 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.53 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.50 P. M., Warsaw 4.22 P. M., Magnolia 4.35 P. M.

DAILY 9.20 A. M.—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 8.55 A. M., Philadelphia 11.33 A. M., Baltimore 1.40 P. M., Washington 3.12 P. M., Richmond 6.57 P. M., Petersburg 7 45 P. M., *Norfolk 2.30 P. M., Weldon 9.10 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 8.15 A. M. Leave Wilson 7 57 A. M., Goldsboro 8.40 A. M., Warsaw 7.32 A. M., Magnolia 7.51 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M.—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 12.05 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.25 P. M.—Passenger—Leave Tampa 9.50 A. M., Sanford 2.20 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.30 A. M., Charleston 6.40 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M. Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.29 P. M. Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.08 P. M., Florence 9.55 A. M., Marion 10.35 A. M., Chadbourn 11.43 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.12 P. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 7.25 P. M.—Passenger—Leave Sanford 3.05 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 4.30 P. M., leave Fayetteville 4.50 P. M.

Bennettsville Branch—Train leave Bennettsville 8.05 A. M. Maxton 9.05 A. M. Red Springs 9.51 A. M. Parkton 10.41 A. M. Hope Mills 10.55 A. M. arrive Fayetteville 11.10 A. M. Returning leave Fayetteville 4.45 P. M. Hope Mills 5.00 P. M., Red Springs 5.43 P. M. Maxton 6.16 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leaves Rocky Mount 7.15 A. M. arrive Weldon 8.17 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 18 A. M., arrive Richmond 11.10 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.17 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.00 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P. M., Kinston 7.50 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.50 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.32 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 5.30 P. M.; arrive Washington 11 00 A. M and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.10 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.10 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Train on Midland N. C., Branch leaves Goldsboro, daily except Sunday, 5.50 A. M. arriving Smithfield, N. C., 6.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 7.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 8.30 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9.30 A. M., 2.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.20 A. M., 4.08 P. M., Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.38 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.30 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 11.45 A. M.; 5.35 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 12.10 A. M. 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leaves Warsaw for Clinton, daily, except Sunday, 11.40 A. M. and 4.25 P. M. Returning, leaves Clinton 6.45 A. M. and 2.50 P. M.

Train leaves Fee Dee 10.13 A. M., arrive Latta 10.33 A. M., Dillon 10.42 A. M., Rowland 10.58 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.06 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.26 P. M., Latta 6.42 P. M., Fee Dee 7.06 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Boardman at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.30 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.15 A. M. Chadbourn 11.50 A. M.; arrive Boardman 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday

Trains leave Sumter 7.25 P. M., Manning 8.04 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.43 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.02 A. M., Manning 8.47 A. M.; arrive Sumter 10.52 A. M., Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 8.40 A. M., *7.00 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12 A. M., 10.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 6.30 A. M.; *4.15 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.00 A. M.; *8.35 P. M.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.18 A. M., Hartsville 9.15 P. M., Cheraw 11.30 P. M., Wadesboro 12.35 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.00 P. M.; arrive Darlington 8.36 P. M., Bennettsville 9.32 P. M., Gibson 10.30 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.50 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.18 A. M.

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Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.50 P. M., 10.40 P. M., arrive Selma 2.45 P. M. 11.15 P. M., Smithfield 3.40 P. M., Dunn 4.02 P. M., Fayetteville 4.32 P. M., 12.32 A. M., Rowland 5.50 P. M. returning leave Rowland 10.58 A. M., Fayetteville 12.30 P. M., 10.32 P. M., Dunn 1.06 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 11.35 P. M., arrive Wilson 2.35 P. M. 12.13 A. M.

Trains leave Sumter 4.00 A. M., Creston 4.52 A. M., arrive Denmark 5.55 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.25 P. M., Creston 5.34 P. M., Sumter 6.24 P. M. Daily.

Trains leave Elliott 7 31 P. M., and arrive Lucknow 9.51 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 7.33 A. M., arrive Elliott 2.20 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

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Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 16.

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST		STATIONS.	GOING WEST.	
No. 3 Pass'g'r Trains			No. 4 Pass'g'r Trains	
Arrive	Leave		Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	4 40	Goldsboro.....	11 40	.....
.....	4 59	Kinston.....	10 12	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern.....	9 27	9 00
7 05	7 07	Morehead City.	7 52	7 27
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.40 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 5.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 5.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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THURSDAY MORNING, FEB. 14.

JEFFRIES-RUHLIN CONTEST.

Indications Are That the Fight Will Not Take Place in Cincinnati Next Friday Night.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CINCINNATI, O., Feb. 13.—Present indications are that the Jeffries-Ruhlin boxing contest will not take place as Saengerfest hall next Friday night. There is now as much doubt about the time and place as about the decision of Judge Hollister. Sporting editors from all over the country arrived to day and besieged the offices and quarters of Managers Brady, Madden, Cooke and others, who told them that they could not advise them as to anything until to morrow afternoon. As soon as Judge Hollister shall render his decision the managers will hold a conference with the directors of the Saengerfest Athletic Association and decide upon their plans for the future.

It is conceded if Judge Hollister grants the application for a permanent injunction the contests will be postponed for some weeks, so as to have time to carry the case through the circuit court and thence to the supreme court for final settlement. If Judge Hollister refuses an injunction the postponement is not likely to be for more than one week and it may be only to the first of next week. It is regarded as possible that the court may grant what is known as a modified injunction, which would be a restraining order against holding prize fights at the Saengerfest hall, but not against a boxing contest, whereupon radical action is expected from the Governor, as the promoters would then no doubt postpone the event for a few days only, and continue under the permit of the mayor and under the advice of counsel, holding that they were proceeding without any intention of violation of the law and that it would be the mayor's part to see that the event did not violate his permit or the law. The decision will be delivered at 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

While there are reports about Governor Nash having three or four regiments under marching orders it is not believed here that any troops will reach the city this week at least.

CONFEDERATE REUNION.

Resolutions Adopted by the General Executive Committee Regarding Invitation to President McKinley.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MEMPHIS, TENN., Feb. 13 — The general executive committee of the Confederate Reunion has adopted the following resolutions with regard to the invitation to President McKinley to be present at the reunion which will be held in Memphis in May:

WHEREAS, it has come to the notice of this committee that certain camps of Confederate veterans have condemned the action of this committee in joining in an invitation to the President to be present on the occasion of the reunion to be held in May next, which action we believe to have arisen from misunderstanding; therefore,

Resolved, That this committee recognizes the unwritten law of the United Confederate Veterans that neither the officers of said organization nor the host at the reunion has authority to invite any other than a Confederate to participate in such reunions.

Resolved, That in joining with the business organizations and the municipal authorities of a city in an invitation to the President of the United States to be the guest of the city on the occasion of the reunion to be held in May next, this committee had no purpose to infringe the organic rule of the Confederate veterans and in order that no misunderstanding may exist, it is now declared that this invitation in which this committee has joined to the President does not imply that he has been invited to participate in the reunion of the Confederate veterans, but that he is to be invited to be the guest of this city on that occasion."

ASSAULTED AND ROBBED.

Mrs Louise A. Pryor's Encounter With a Footpad in New York.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—Mrs. Louise A. Pryor, wife of Dr. W. R. Pryor, who is a son of ex-Judge Roger A. Pryor, was struck on the head with a piece of lead pipe and robbed to day. The scene of the crime was the stairway leading from the uptown track of the Fourth avenue tunnel at 38th street. Mrs. Pryor had several hundred dollars worth of diamonds and some money in her purse when she was struck. Mrs. Pryor fought bravely and managed to escape with a cut on the head where she was half stunned by a blow from the lead pipe. She pluckily gave chase and a policeman caught her assailant, who calls himself Patrick Hynes. He was held in $5,000 bail for trial.

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IN A PERILOUS POSITION.

Spanish Steamer Otayo Ashore on the South Carolina Coast.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BEAUFORT, S. C. February 13—The Spanish steamer Otayo is ashore on Hunting island breakers, near the old wreck of the steamer City of Savannah. The vessel is cotton laden, from New Orleans for a Mediterranean port. She is in a perilous position, in the event of a storm. The mate and the engineer who have arrived here report the steamer uninjured. She went ashore in a fog.

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The Electoral Vote for President and Vice President Counted in a Joint Session of the Senate and House of Representatives.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, February 13.—The Senate was engaged most of the day in executive session, and in the counting of the electoral vote for the President and Vice President of the United States. Late in the afternoon consideration of the Agricultural Appropriation bill was resumed, but little progress was made. A night session was ordered, on motion of Senator Pritchard, beginning at 8 o'clock.

The Senate returned from the electoral vote ceremony in the House chamber at 2 05 P M.

Senator Chandler, New Hampshire, one of the tellers in the electoral count on the part of the Senate reported the state of the vote.

Senator Frye, president pro tem, announced formally the state of the vote in order that it might be entered upon the journal of the Senate. The announcement was identical with that made before the joint session in the House.

Senator Lodge asked for the adoption of a resolution providing for the printing of additional copies of the report of the Taft Philippine commission.

Senator Pettigrew charged that the Taft report was a partisan report made by a partisan commission, and he urged that it was designed to conceal the facts and convey a false impression of the situation. The resolution was then agreed to.

A bill "for the retirement of the Hawaiian coinage and currency was passed. Senator Foraker explained that the old Hawaiian government had issued $1,000,000 of silver coins in dollars, half dollars, quarters and dimes and against $372 000 of the amount silver certificates had been issued, the $372 000 of silver being retained in the treasury. The purpose of the bill was to substitute silver coins of the United States for the Hawaiian coins, both being of the same weight and degree of fineness.

The Senate agreed to a conference on the Naval Appropriation bill, Senators Hill, Chandler and Tillman being named as conference.

At 2:30, on motion of Senator Hawley, the Senate resumed consideration of executive business. At 4 15 the doors were opened and consideration of the Agricultural Appropriation bill was resumed. The amendment relating to the seizure of imported foods, drugs and liquors in case they should be found to be adulterated injuriously, which was discussed at length yesterday, was agreed to. When the committee amendments providing for the mapping of the soils of the United States was reached Senator Teller protested that no such project ought to be authorized. It would prove to be not only a gigantic task, useless as to practical results, but it would involve an expense ultimately of millions of dollars. Senator Teller offered an amendment striking out the provision. The amendment was not disposed of when the Senate at 5 30 took a recess until 8 o'clock.

Senator Money, Mississippi, reported from the Foreign Relations Committee a bill to prevent the sale of fire arms, intoxicating liquors and opium in certain islands of the Pacific, and asked immediate consideration. Senator Morgan, Alabama, objected.

The Senate adjourned at 10:25 o'clock at night without completing the reading of the District Code bill.

House of Representatives.

The House devoted to day, except ing an hour and a half consumed in counting the electoral vote and promulgating the result of the Presidential election, to the Sundry Civil Appropriation bill. General debate up on this measure was completed and the bill was read for amendment Little actual progress, however, was made with the bill. During the debate the opposition opened a general assault upon the extravagance of the present Congress, Messrs. Bell of Colorado, Richardson of Tennessee, and Cochran of Missouri, in turn made speeches.

Messrs. Cannon of Illinois and Moody of Massachusetts, defended the record of Congress in the matter of appropriations. Fifteen of the 134 pages of the bill were disposed of.

Mr. Bell, Colorado, a member of the Appropriation Committee, produced figures to show that in a single decade the per capita cost of carrying on the governmental machinery had increased from $4 75 to over $10. The speech was interrupted to permit the counting of electoral votes and was concluded immediately after that ceremony.

Mr. Cochran, Missouri, declared that the total appropriations for the next year, if reckoned in gold, would exceed the appropriations in 1864, when the Federal government had 1,300 ships on the sea, maintaining a blockade from Galveston to the Chesapeake, and 1 000,000 men on land, engaged in the most tremendous military enterprise of the age.

"Talk about progress and Christianity," he continued, "if progress and Christianity mean marching under many flags of plunderers and the the swords of Christian soldiers dripping with the blood of plundered people, it is time to quit or fling away the masquerade and say, 'progress has turned treebooter, Christianity slumbers and God is dead.'" (Democratic applause.)

Mr. Richardson, Tennessee, the minority leader, said the total appropriations at this session would reach $800,000,000. Four years ago when President McKinley's administration began the annual appropriations were about $470,000,000. He conceded that the appropriations would naturally increase every year but why, he asked this prodigious increase of over $300,000 000. The war that had been over for two years could not be charged with these increases, for the increases were not confined to the army and navy appropriation bills. There was an increase in every one of the appropriations bills.

Mr. Richardson referred to the appropriation for the New York custom house as an item that could have been omitted. This caused considerable controversy.

At the close of the general debate, the bill was read for amendments under the five minute rule. Upon points of order made by Mr. Olmstead, Pennsylvania, the appropriation of $115,000 for a tender for the inspector of the Ninth light house district; $115,000 for a tender for the engineer of the Ninth district, and $120,000 for a tender for the Tenth district, $90,000 for a tender for the Thirteenth district and $30,000 for a tender for the Sixteenth district were stricken from the bill. At 5 30 p. m. the House adjourned.

AMERICAN SHIPPING.

Merchant Vessels of the United States That Will Be Affected by the Ship Subsidy Bill

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, February 13—The Secretary of the Treasury to day made reply to the resolution of the Senate of the 11th instant concerning the shipping of the country as affected by the Ship Subsidy bill, by sending in a report from the Commissioner of Navigation. The statement includes a complete list of the merchant vessels of the United States of which it is stated there are 23,333 in number. Of these 1 330, aggregating a gross tonnage of 8:6 694 tons, are registered for the foreign trade, while the vessels licensed for coasting trade number 22,003 of 4 338,145 gross tons. The commissioner says there is no legal obstacle to any of these coastwise vessels of more than thirty tons entering the foreign trade, but that the length of the canal locks would prevent many of the larger vessels of the great lakes from passing to the sea. For this and other reasons he finds it impracticable to state the number of coasting vessels liable to be registered for the foreign trade under the shipping bill. The number of American vessels in the foreign trade eligible to subsidies under the bill is placed at 1,331, of which 964 are sailing vessels.

The commissioner says it is not practicable to say whether all these vessels have complied with the requirements that would entitle them to subsidies.

It also is stated by the commissioner that the amendment of the bill relating to the additional subsidies to be paid to twenty and twenty one knot vessels, will have the effect of reducing the subsidies payable on voyages of the St Louis, St. Paul and New York, included in the tabulation, by the sum of $221,106.

The commissioner states that it is impracticable to ascertain the full extent to which American capital may be invested in steamships under foreign flags to the extent of owning a majority interest.

THE CRUSADE IN KANSAS.

A Mob of Men and Women Attacked and Demolished a Saloon at Winfield.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WINFIELD, Kas., February 13.—A mob of 200 men and women, armed with axes, revolvers and shot-guns, to day totally demolished Schmidt's saloon, the finest in the city. Some one fired half a dozen shots from a shot gun through the front door that started a general onslaught with rocks and guns on the windows and doors. Emma Denny received a pistol ball in her face and was slightly hurt. Although this was an accident, it served to enrage the mob and the crusaders swarmed into the saloon. There they found Charles and Henry Schmidt. After driving them from the building through the rear door the mob created havoc right and left. Cigar cases, mirrors and pictures were smashed and those that could not be reached with axes were shot full of holes.

Rev. Charles Lowther prevented Charles Schmidt from entering the place by striking him with an axe, inflicting a scalp wound. As he fell to the ground Henry Schmidt made a gun play in defence of his brother that nearly cost him his life.

One of the crusaders followed up the preacher's attack, and had raised an axe to strike Henry Schmidt, when a companion wrested the weapon from his hands. For a time serious trouble seemed likely. The mayor called the council together to plan ways of quelling the disturbance and providing against further outbreaks. To night the council decided that all joints must close immediately The joint ists are defiant and bloodshed is feared.

MRS. CARRIE NATION.

The Kansas Saloon-Smasher in Chicago, Left for Topeka—Threatens to Return to Chicago.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, February 13.—Mrs. Carrie Nation left Chicago for Topeka to night. She is under bond to appear in the Kansas capital to-morrow for trial in connection with her operations in that city.

Before leaving Chicago she announced that as soon as she had "cleaned up things" at home she would come back here, and if things were not properly taken care of by the authorities, she and her friends would take matters into their own hands. Her meeting with the saloon-keepers which she announced that she would carry out, did not materialize, and in default of having them for an audience, she went once more to the saloon at 290 State street, where her grandson is manager, and delivered a talk there. She urged her hearers to abandon both the use and sale of liquor, denouncing in the most unmeasured terms all those who permitted its sale anywhere in the city. As she left the place she went up to a woman who possessed a rich black eye and remarked: "My, My, what a pity. Who gave that to you?"

"You better ask your grandson who gave it to me," was the quick retort. "He knows as much about the giving of it as I do".

Mrs Nation made a stop in a place at 56 State street owned by E D. Dreyfus, whom she denounced as a "murderer" and "devil scullion." Her meeting at Willard Hall to night, which preceded her visits to the saloons, was attended by about three hundred people, nearly all of them temperance people.

LYNCHING THREATENED.

Young Girl Assaulted by a School Teacher in Marshall County, Ala.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., February 13 — A special to the *Age Herald* from Huntsville, Ala., says:

News reached here to-night of great excitement in Marshall county over a report of criminal assault. A white school teacher named Hall, near Guntersville, it is said, committed a criminal assault upon a thirteen-year old girl. A mob scoured the country for the teacher, but he fell into the hands of officers and this evening was lodged in jail at Guntersville.

A report say hundreds of people have gone there from the country intent on breaking into the jail and lynching Hall,

Two British seamen were convicted in court at Kingston, Jamaica, of having set fire maliciously to the British steamer Marimar, from Norfolk. They were sentenced to imprisonment, and to pay for the damage sustained by the vessel.

CONTINUED RIOTS IN SPANISH TOWNS

Serious Disturbances in Madrid Were Repressed by the Authorities.

ANXIETY AS TO THE OUTCOME

Mobs Charged by the Mounted Guards. Swords Freely Used—Many Persons Injured — Outbreaks at Santander—Other Incidents.

By Cable to the Morning Star

MADRID, February 13.—With nightfall every approach to the Puerta del Sol was jammed with the idle populace. Insulting remarks were hurled at the police and the civil guard A trumpeter sounded a charge, which was made with swords drawn. Heads were not spared, many persons were injured and there were numerous arrests.

The scattering crowds sought the shops and hotels. All the front doors of the Hotel de Paris were smashed in, a great crowd assembling there. The police and the guards charged into the street leading to the Puerta del Sol, but the dispersed throngs quickly re assembled.

In some quarters considerable anxiety has been felt as to the outcome for this evening, for reports have been circulated that the agitators had selected to night for the beginning of an organized outbreak.

As was anticipated, the funeral of Don Ramon de Campoamor was attended with serious disturbances. Enormous crowds gathered along the route taken by the funeral cortege, which included the members of the academy and the ministers of justice and public instruction. Gendarmes and mounted guards were stationed at strategic points. At the end of the city the demonstrators, who included many students, raised the cry, "Long Live Liberty!" and having broken up into small parties proceeded to various parts of Madrid to renew the demonstration. One band of students began to stone a convent on Toreja street and the police were compelled to charge them.

In the evening fresh riots took place at several points. The gendarmes, with drawn swords, quelled them, and a number were wounded or bruised. These were carried into the pharmacies and cafes. The demonstrators replied to the charges of the gendarmes with showers of stones

In the Rue Serious stone-throwing occurred Flower pots and other missiles were thrown from the balconies at policemen, several of whom were injured. One boy is said to have been killed. The police were obliged to call mounted gendarmes, who charged and dispersed the rioters.

Altogether some thirty arrests were made during the day, including a military officer, whose arrest resulted in a protest by his brother officers, the matter being referred to the Captain General.

The authorities have warned the newspapers that they must abstain from criticisms of acts of the royal family, or the publication of news or comments calculated to fan the present agitation.

SANTANDER February 13 —A mob stoned the offices of the Catholic journal *Atalaya* (Watch Tower), yesterday morning, shouting "Down with the Jesuits!"

The gendarmes had to fire a volley in the air and charge the mob in order to save the Carmelite monastery, from which the monks had fled in terror. The rioters fired several shots in reply, and then marched through the streets When passing Carlists' houses the occupants poured water on the heads of the rioters, and the latter retorted with stoning the houses.

RIOT IN BUDAPEST.

Serious Street Fighting Between Police and Men Out of Work.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

BUDAPEST, February 13.—There was serious street fighting here to day between men out of work and the police. About 1,200 of the former attacked the labor bureau, smashed the windows and attacked the police who attempted to diperse them. The police charged them with drawn swords and arrested thirty persons. The rioters attempted to rescue them and were only scattered by the arrival of a force of cavalry.

WARM WIRELETS.

The steamer American cleared from New Orleans for Cape Town yesterday with 1,100 horses.

Another death from bubonic plague occurred in Cape Town and two fresh cases are officially reported.

J. Howard Wayt, Past Grand Master of Masons of Virginia, died at his home in Staunton yesterday morning.

Mrs Thomas C. Platt, the wife of U S. Senator Platt, died yesterday at her apartments in the Fifth Avenue hotel, after a long illness.

The report that the Southern Railway would remove its Knoxville shops to Atlanta, current for the past several days, is declared by officials to be unfounded.

The Boer losses, when they were attacked by General French at Ermelo, last week, are said to have been forty men killed and two hundred made prisoners.

Over 200 people in Milwaukee, Wis, who supposed themselves divorced are married. This discovery was made yesterday when it was found that in over one hundred cases where divorces had been granted they had not been docketed.

The ceremony of counting the electoral vote for President and Vice President, cast at the election last Fall, took place in the hall of the House of Representatives at 1 o'clock yesterday at a joint session of the Senate and House.

A dispatch from London says it understands the Vickers Maxim Cramp deal will shortly be consummated. It adds that Mr Loewe, a director of the Vickers-Maxim Company, who is now in the United States said Saturday that everything was nearly settled.

The passenger steamer Alpha from Beaufort and Port Royal, attempted to run quarantine at Savannah, but the government tug overhauled her, and one case of smallpox was found on board. The steamer was turned back to the quarantine station, where she will be detained with all her passengers—eighteen in number—for fourteen days.

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DECLINE TO COMPLY.

Three of the Chinese Officials Named for Punishment Refuse to Commit Suicide.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

PEKIN, February 13.—At least three of the Chinese to whom Emperor Kwang Su sent a choice of methods of suicide, in pursuance of the demand of the Powers for their punishment with death, have declined to comply, and the Emperor has withdrawn his request that they should destroy themselves.

His Majesty now telegraphs Prince Ching that when he agreed to the terms of the joint note the latter only required that the punishment should fit the crime, and he argues that if the worst of the guilty deserve death, the others should be banished. The foreign envoys, on the contrary, say that those who are least guilty deserve death, and as there is no worse punishment, all must suffer the same penalty, although, if Chi a should desire to make distinctions regarding the crimes, she can sentence the worst either to quartering or to some other forms of Chinese execution.

Unless the court changes its views, no immediate settlement is possible.

The governor of the Province of Shen Si is appealing for aid in behalf of 4,000,000 inhabitants of the famine stricken districts.

INJUNCTION PROCEEDINGS

Against the New Jersey Council, Junior Order of American Mechanics.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 13.—Another move was made to-day in the long drawn out contest between the national bodies of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics and the five State councils of New York, New Jersey, Virginia and the District of Columbia, which have refused to pay the national per capita tax. The National Council to-day filed a bill in the United States court for an injunction to restrain the New Jersey State council from doing business and to require an accounting for some $13,000, which it is claimed was collected by the State council and should have been paid over to the National Council.

Judge Kirkpatrick granted a rule to show cause, returnable on February 25th.

Employes of the Sanchez & Hay Cigar factory at Tampa have struck. They demand payment of $10 each for the time they claim was lost recently in waiting for material to arrive from Cuba

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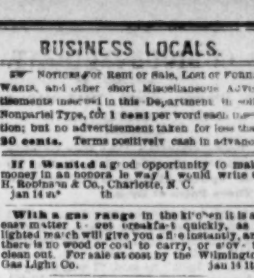

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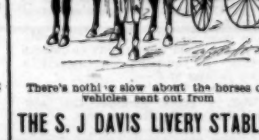

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